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Mr. Pat Evangelista U.S. EPA Region 2 290 Broadway New York, NY 1007-1866

RE: Diamond Alkali Superfund Site, Passaic River Study

Dear Mr. Evangelista:

Hoechst Celanese Corporation received a 104(e) Information Request on August 28, 1996. We request a 30 day extension of time to answer the request. The facility responding to the request is in the process of closing and only one employee remains on-site. As the request is quite broad in scope, it will be very difficult to complete our internal investigation within the 30-day deadline. I may be contacted at 908-231-4673.

Very truly yours,

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